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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg Secretary of Transportation U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

SUBJECT: Letter of Support for the Salt Lake City Reconnecting Communities Pilot Grant 2022

On behalf of the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), I write in support of Salt Lake City's initiative to address east-west connections across the I-15 and north-south rail corridors, particularly for people walking, biking, and taking transit.

UDOT's mission is to enhance quality of life through transportation. A key pillar of that mission is connecting communities and tying our neighborhoods together with transportation projects that make a difference in people's lives. The proposed effort offers great potential for increased safety, better multimodal infrastructure, and improved access to opportunities of all.

UDOT looks forward to working with Salt Lake City in identifying options that are safe, sustainable, and equitable.

I support Salt Lake City's grant application to the federal Reconnecting Communities Pilot Grant Program to conduct a comprehensive planning project to make improvements to multiple east-west crossings between 600 North and 2100 South.

Sincerely.

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